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1. The general directorate and the studios of the Czechoslovak Broadcast, National Corporation, are located in a seven-story building in Prague XII-Vinohradky, Stalin Street 12. The corporation is subordinated to the Ministry of Schools, Science and Art so far as artistic matters and programs are concerned. In technical matters it is subordinated to the Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs. All radio transmitters are under the management of the Czechoslovak Broadcast. These transmitters are located at Prague-Liblice, Malnik, Ceske Budejovice, Pilsen, Ostrava, Brno, Pocerady, Bratislava, Kosice and Banska Bystrica.
2. The expenditures of the enterprise are covered partly by the contributions of the listeners, but the major part is paid by the State.
3. The General Director of the Czechoslovak Broadcast, National Corporation, is Mr. Kazimir Stah. The technical manager is Mr. Janik, an engineer. The General Manager for Programs is Mr. Jiranek, a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia.
4. The Directorate is divided into the following divisions:
  - (a) Cadre Division. This division is in charge of personnel matters, especially the selection of politically reliable employees.
  - (b) Financial Division. This division is in charge of all financial and budgetary matters.
  - (c) Program Division. This division is divided into sections according to the type of program, i.e., music, lectures, schools, political education, news, etc. Each section prepares its own program which is submitted to the central program division for examination and approval after which the daily schedule is made up. All programs are first recorded on tapes. After examination of the recorded program, adjustments and cuts are made and the recorded program is ready for broadcasting. Every transmitter has a studio in which programs can be prepared. Sometimes programs are recorded on the spot, e.g., in a factory (Stakhanovite statement). For this purpose, each station has a special recording truck.
  - (d) Technical Division. The personnel of this division consists mainly of women. The trend to employ women as technical personnel of the Czechoslovak Broadcast began in 1949. However, the experiences were not favorable and much damage was done by their lack of skill and attentiveness. The recording

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machines are called "Magnetifon" and are probably made by the AEG (Germany).  
Each recording spool lasts 20 minutes.

The Communist Party and the Revolutionary Trade Union have units in this corporation. Many employees are members of the Party because they are afraid of losing their jobs.

The buildings of the Czechoslovak Broadcast can be entered only by possessing a special identification card. The entrance is guarded day and night. The administrative officer of the Broadcast doubles as the security officer.

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